Revenue (1949) Department.

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G.O. No. 401

Dated 19th February 1949.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Grow More Food - New Well Subsidy Scheme - 1947-48 -
Progress Report for October 1948 - Board's Review - Recorded.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.
Chepauk, Madras-5.

Rt. No. 8070. dated 4-12-1948.

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Commissioner of Land Revenue,
Excise and Prohibition.

Sub: Grow More Food - Well Subsidy schemes - New Wells Subsidy Scheme 1947-1948 - Progress report for October 1948 - Reviewed.

READ The following:--

Reports from the Collectors.

The Board submits to the Government its review on the working of the New Well Suvsidy Scheme 1947-48 for the month of October 1948.

2. The reports were due to the Board on 10-11-1948. Only the Collectors of Ramnad, Chittoor Tirunelveli, Coimbatore, E. Godavari, Madura, Chingleput, North Arcot, Bellary submitted their reports in time. The delay in the submission of reports from other collectors ranged from 2 to 17 days. The last report was received from the Collector of Vizagapatam on 27-11-48. The Board has recently issued instructions that the reports should be for "the treasury month" and not for the "Calendar month". It hopes that the reports will be submitted punctually in future and for the treasury month.

3. The following table will show at one view the progress made in the working of the scheme during and upto the end of October 1948:-

Total No. of wells subsidised.	No.of wells completed. In the month.	Upto the month.	No. of wells in progress.	No.not yet started.	No.in which recovery has been ordered or made or write off ha been sanctioned
1.	2(a)	2(b)	3.	4.	5.
Wells - 46532	3768	10275	27740	7121	1396
New Tanks.- 105	9	37	68	-	-
OT. 156	8	50	106	-	-

Additional area brought under irrigation (Acres)	Addl. quantity of food grains produced (Tons.)
6.	7.
Wells 7333.15	2519.16
New Tanks 37.00	13.00
Old Tanks 13.00	7.50

The time allowed for the completion of wells ____idised under this scheme expired by 30-9-1948. The reports show that only 22% of the wells subsidised, have, however, been completed so far. The number of wells not yet started is still very large and the districts of Chingleput, Chittoor, Ramnad, S.Arcot, Nellore, Krishna, Guntur, Cuddapah, E.Godavari, have contributed largely to this result.

4. According to the conditions of the grant, each well should irrigate at least one acre. At least 10275 acres should therefore have been brought under irrigation as 10275 wells have been completed. But only 7333 acres are reported to have been brought under irrigation. It appears that either the conditions of the grant have not been fulfilled in some cases or that there is some mistake in the report unless the work in respect of some of the wells was completed by the end of the month under review and hence they could not be used for irrigation purposes immediately after their completion.

5. As already pointed out the sum total of the figures shown in columns 4 (b) 5, 6, 7 and 8(b) should be equal to the figures shown in column 2 (b). But it exceeds the number shown in 2 (b) in the reports from the Collectors of Ramnad, South Arcot, Madura, Vizagapatam, Coimbatore, Bellary, Cuddapah, E. Godavari and West Godavari. This apparently is due to the fact that in some cases the figures which should have been shown only in columns 7 or 8 (b) have been taken into account twice over and shown once in column 6 and again in column (7) or 8 (b). It is very unsatisfactory that such mistakes should be allowed to recur inspite of repeated instructions. Other discrepancies noticed have been shown in the appendix to this proceedings. Collectors are once again requested to see that the discrepancies pointed out are reconciled and correct figures are furnished in the future reports. Disciplinary action should be taken against the subordinates responsible for the submission of incorrect reports.

6. The Number of wells completed in the month is good in the districts of Ramnad, Chingleput, Guntur, Tirunelveli, South Arcot, Coimbatore and Tiruchirapalli, while no work was completed in the districts of Bellary, West Godavari and South Kanara.

7. The Collectors and the Special Deputy Collectors are requested to exert their best to see that the execution of works is not unnecessarily delayed at any stage and that the entire number subsidised is completed within the extension of time given (30-6-1949).

Sd. x x
for Special Officer (Wells.)

To

The Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department with a statement.

The Collectors of all districts except Madras.

Copy to the Director of Agriculture.

" " Secretary, C.D.E.D., Board with an extract of the statement for the districts of Chittoor, Cuddapah, Bellary, Anantapur, and Kurnool.

APPENDIX.

NEW WELL SUBSIDY SCHEME 1947-48.

Districts.	Col.No.	Figures ought to be according to the previous month's report.	Figures furnished by Collector for the month ending 30-10-48.	Remarks.
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
Nellore	4(b)	278	189	4(b) of previous statt + 4(b)a) of present months statt. should be = 4(b) of the present months statt. Variation not explained.
Tiruchirapalli	8(b)	705	696	Column 8(b) of present statt. and 8(a) of previous statt. = 8(b) of previous months statt - variation not explained.
Vizagapatam	8(b)	13	14	do.
Nellore	8(b)	7	9	do.
Guntur	8(b)	87	97	do.
Nellore	13(b)	612 (acres)	508 (acres)	13(b) of previous statt. + 13 (a) of pre-months statt. = 13 b of pre-months statts. variations not explained.

Sd. x x x
for Joint Secretary.

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